



Upper Colorado River Endangered Fish Recovery Program

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The Colorado pikeminnow, razorback sucker, humpback chub and bonytail are endangered fish species that once thrived in the Colorado River system. Dam installation and the introduction of nonnative fish changed the river environment and put these fish at risk. Established in 1988, the Upper Colorado River Endangered Fish Recovery Program is a partnership of public and private organizations working to recover these endangered species while allowing continued and future water development.

Partners

Colorado River Energy Distributors Assoc.
Colorado Water Congress
Environmental Defense
National Park Service
The Nature Conservancy
States of Colorado, Utah and Wyoming

U.S. Bureau of Reclamation
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Utah Water Users Association
Western Area Power Administration
Wyoming Water Association

Program Elements

- \$ **Habitat Management B** Identifying and acquiring instream flows, changing Federal dam operations, and operating other reservoirs to benefit the endangered fish
- \$ **Habitat Development B** Restoring floodplain/wetland habitats and constructing fish passageways around dams and other barriers in the river
- \$ **Raising and Stocking Endangered Fish B** Operating hatcheries to raise endangered fish and return them to their native river habitat
- \$ **Nonnative Fish Management B** Managing nonnative fish species to limit encounters with endangered fish
- \$ **Research, Monitoring and Data Management B** Collecting data to measure the effectiveness of recovery efforts

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